

**ESCALANTE CITY
ORDINANCE 2023-12**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING ESCALANTE CITY CODE NO. 4.04.070 NUISANCE
FIRE ALARM AND PROVIDING REPEALER WITHIN THE CITY OF
ESCALANTE, STATE OF UTAH.**

WHEREAS, the City Council, as the governing body of the City of Escalante, State of Utah, specifically finds that it is in the best interest of the safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Escalante to adopt the following Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, The City Council and Mayor wish to adopt such an Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the Escalante City, in the State of Utah, as follows:

SECTION 1: **ADOPTION** “4.04.070 Nuisance Fire Alarm” of the Escalante Municipal Code is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

4.04.070 Nuisance Fire Alarm(*Added*)

A. Definitions:

Facility: Any structure with an operational fire alarm system and the owner, employees, or agent thereof.

False Fire Alarm: The false activation of a fire alarm system resulting in a response by the fire department by intentional misuse of that system by and individual.

Fire Department: The Escalante City fire department and other regional fire entities.

Nuisance Fire Alarm: The false activation of a fire alarm system which results in a response by the fire department due to negligence, misuse, or improper operation or maintenance of the system by the owner, employees, or agents of that facility.

B. Any facility which activates a fire alarm determined to be a nuisance fire alarm by the fire department shall be assessed penalties as listed. The number of incidents shall be counted by calendar year.

C. False fire alarm incidents shall not be assessed penalties per this ordinance.

D. Penalties:

1. First nuisance alarm: No Fee

2. Second alarm: \$250.00

3. Third alarm: \$500.00

4. Fourth and subsequent alarms: \$1,000.00

E. Failure to pay penalties within 60 days of the incident shall be punishable by an infraction and subject to penalty as provided in ECC 1.16.010

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE ESCALANTE CITY COUNCIL

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	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Councilmember Chad Lyman	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Dan'l Lindsay	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Marlene Stowe	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Guy Graham	_____	_____	_____	_____
Councilmember Lenza Wilson	_____	_____	_____	_____

Presiding Officer

Attest

Melani Torgersen, Mayor, Escalante
City

Stephanie Steed, MMC, City
Recorder, Escalante City